

PLENTY OF GOLD LEFT.

While the Old Mines Decay New
Ores of Equal Richness are
Discovered.

Montana's Yield Growing Larger,
Making Up for the Decline
in California.

Wonderful Discoveries Being Made by
English Miners in the Transvaal
Republic—The Ophir Mines.

The development of new supplies of all
useful and precious metals happily illus-
trates the beautiful province of nature,
which furnishes everything in exact pro-
portion to human wants, and leaves their
discovery and application to man as he
needs them, says the Louisville Courier
Journal.

In all times gold coin has been a circulat-
ing medium, and its yearly product has
been subject to more fluctuations than that
of silver, which has had a fairly steady
yield since the discovery of America and
the opening of the great mines of either
grand division. The wonderful increase of
civilization in this country and the vast
larger demand for both gold and silver as
money and in the arts have caused some
fear that the gold supply would become
relatively too small, since the decline of the
yield in California and Victoria. But the
discovery of new gold fields, following the
decay of the old, shows that nature has
made no mistake, and if there is any
trouble it will not be her fault.

The California mines, while not exhausted
and still yielding a considerable percentage
of the world's output, are by no means
so rich as in the early days when they pro-
duced \$100,000,000 a year. But their decline
has been accompanied by the rise of the
Montana gold fields, which have developed
in a most gradual, but not sudden like that
of California, but sufficiently great to indi-
cate that in time Montana may yield more
gold than was ever mined in California.

Like those of California, the Victorian
gold mines of Australia have declined in
importance, but in another part of Aus-
tralia even richer veins of gold have been
discovered. The importance of the mines in
Queensland, within the line of the tropics
and a thousand miles away from those of Vi-
ctoria, is yet hardly realized, although indi-
vidual prospectors and powerful companies
have been working them for several years.
The production is increasing very rapidly
this year amounting to \$15,000,000, nearly
double that of last year. The Mt. Morgan
gold mine in Queensland is the richest ever
discovered, and examinations have gone far
enough to show that at least \$300,000,000
worth of the metal can be taken out, while
the total may exceed this indefinitely.

The richest discoveries have been the last.
It was known years ago throughout South
Africa and to many in England that there
was gold in the Transvaal republic, but the
practical inaccessibility of the distant Afri-
can state and the repressive policy of its
Dutch inhabitants and rulers rendered ex-
perts for a while unable to obtain any
knowledge concerning the extent and rich-
ness of the deposits. Recently, despite op-
position, the English in Natal and Cape
Colony, allured by the reports of the mines,
overwhelmed all opposition and entered the
gold fields, which proved richer than their
sanguine expectations had promised.

We have before alluded to these gold
mines of the Transvaal Republic, which,
owing to their vast distance from all cen-
ters of civilization and population, and the
expense and difficulty requisite for reaching
them have not attracted in Europe and
America the attention they deserve. Never-
theless, it is now assured that they are as
rich or richer than those of California and
Australia. The yield for the first six
months of this year amounts to \$4,000,000,
not an extraordinary sum but rapidly in-
creasing, with the certainty of being
doubled or tripled next year, and of being
increased perhaps twenty times over in a
half dozen years. A railroad has been
built from the sea coast to Kimberley
in the diamond fields, a distance of eight
hundred miles, but the gold mines are sev-
eral hundred miles further on, and the re-
mainder of the distance has to be made in
carts or bullock wagons across the desert
under the hot sun, and the costly and heavy
machinery required in the Transvaal mines
has to be transported in the same manner.
Nevertheless, Johannesburg, a town of 40,
000 inhabitants, with all the improvements
of modern civilization, has sprung up as the
metropolis of the gold fields, and every ship
that lands at Cape Town carries a load of
miners for Johannesburg or the vicinity.

Some explorers from the Transvaal push-
ing further north into a country called
Mashana Land, inhabited by savage and
warlike negroes, found evidences of gold.
They were practical miners, and their ex-
aminations disclosed rich veins of the metal
richness those of the Transvaal. They re-
ported that they had seen, and despite the
dangers from the natives, who were ex-
tremely hostile to the invasion of their
country by whites, many miners from Jo-
hannesburg entered Mashana Land, and
fully confirmed the stories of their prede-
cessors concerning the presence of gold in
great quantities.

There are now many mines in Mashana
Land, and wonderful discoveries are being
made. If half the tales sent back to Eng-
land are true, nothing approaching the
richness of these gold fields was ever before
found. Enough has been verified to prove
that they are one of the greatest mining
discoveries of any time, and it is for a
long time impossible to calculate their extent.

The development of the rich gold fields
in the Transvaal republic and Mashana
Land has started in England the theory
that these were the mines of Ophir, from
which Solomon obtained unlimited treas-
ures for the adornment of the temple and
the holy city. The idea was given life by
the discovery of a few ancient relics of an
ancient civilization, and the long current be-
lief that Solomon's ships, when he
needed gold, sailed somewhere away to the
southwest to the African coast.

Rude to the Wrong Man.

The following story is going the rounds of
some of the New York clubs: Some time
prior to the last national election Gen.
Tracy, in the capacity of a private citizen,
found occasion to call on Commodore Ram-
say, commandant of the Brooklyn navy
yard, who at that time ranked as captain.
The object of Gen. Tracy's visit is not
known, though it is supposed to have re-
ferred to some political matter touching
employees at the Brooklyn yard. Com-
modore Ramsey was at dinner when Gen.
Tracy's card was sent up, and the latter pa-
tiently waited until some reply was sent
down. This came in a very short time, and
was to the effect that "Captain Ramsey was
at dinner and could not see the gen-
tleman." Without any attempt at explana-
tion Gen. Tracy left the house.
The other day, according to the story that
has leaked out, Commodore Ramsey ran
over to Washington to see Secretary Tracy
in person and found the latter had just re-
turned from his vacation, and of con-
siderable importance to himself, caused the
commodore to seek the secretary without

delay. Accordingly, in company with his
friends, Commodore Ramsey proceeded to the
secretary's domicile, sent up his card and
those of his friends and impatiently
awaited the coming of the secretary. In a
very short time the secretary made his ap-
pearance and respectfully addressing Com-
modore Ramsey informed the latter that
"Secretary Tracy is at dinner, and can see
neither Commodore Ramsey nor his
friends."

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Helena and Butte ex., Butte and south.	8:15 a. m.
Helena and Butte ex., Butte and south.	10:50 a. m.
Marysville ex.	7:20 a. m.
ARRIVE.	
St. Paul, Atlantic ex., Butte and south.	11:25 a. m.
Montana, Pacific ex., St. Paul and east.	8:45 p. m.
Helena and Butte ex., Butte and south.	7:15 a. m.
Marysville ex.	6:40 p. m.

Northern Pacific.	
ARRIVE.	
Through westbound.	2:50 p. m.
Through eastbound.	7:20 p. m.
Butte, Missoula and Helena ex.	12:20 p. m.
Marysville passenger.	8:40 a. m.
Rimini accom., Mon., Wed. and Fri.	5:00 p. m.
Wicks and Boulder passenger.	10:50 a. m.
Marysville accommodation.	2:30 p. m.
DEPART.	
Through westbound.	3:15 p. m.
Through eastbound.	7:55 p. m.
Helena and Butte ex.	7:15 a. m.
Marysville passenger.	3:20 p. m.
Rimini accom., Mon., Wed. and Fri.	7:15 a. m.
Wicks and Boulder passenger.	4:00 p. m.
Marysville accommodation.	10:50 a. m.

Union Pacific.	
DEPART.	
For all points east, south and west, via	4:00 p. m.
Montana Central and Butte.	4:00 p. m.
Via Northern Pacific and Garrison.	3:15 p. m.
ARRIVE.	
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Via Butte and Montana Central.	11:25 a. m.
Via Garrison and Northern Pacific.	12:20 p. m.

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